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## BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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## ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on April 4, 2003. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (Paper No. 23) was filed June 28, 2002. We were unable to locate a copy of the mentioned PTO-1449. This paper needs to be considered by the Primary Examiner with respect to compliance with

the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98. A written communication notifying appellants of the Primary Examiner's decision is required.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner for consideration of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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